

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP OF NEW MINI STEEL PLANT
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government propose to set up new mini steel plant at Alang Port of Gujarat;
- (b) if so, by when the work is likely to be started; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI BRAJA KISHORE TRIPATHY)

- (a) Union Government do not propose to set up new mini steel plant at Alang Port of Gujarat.
- (b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.
- (c) In the New Industrial Policy announced in July 1991, steel industry has been de-licensed and removed from the list of industries reserved for the public sector subject to certain locational restrictions. No industrial licence is, therefore, required for setting up of iron and steel plants and the entrepreneurs are free to set up such plants anywhere in the country except in the restricted locations based on their commercial judgement.